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Message:

Dear Examiner Monfeldt.

Further to our conversation with you, we enclose a proposed agenda for discussion during the interview.

We would like to discuss amending claims 1, 3, and 5-7 in order to better clarify the rejected features. For example, we would like to discuss amending claim 1 to include the feature "such that the first index decreases as the cost increases." We also would like to discuss amending claims 3 and 5-7 in a similar manner. We would like to ask you to confirm that these amendments overcome the rejection under 35 U.S.C. 103(a), as well as to discuss whether such amendments are necessary.

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